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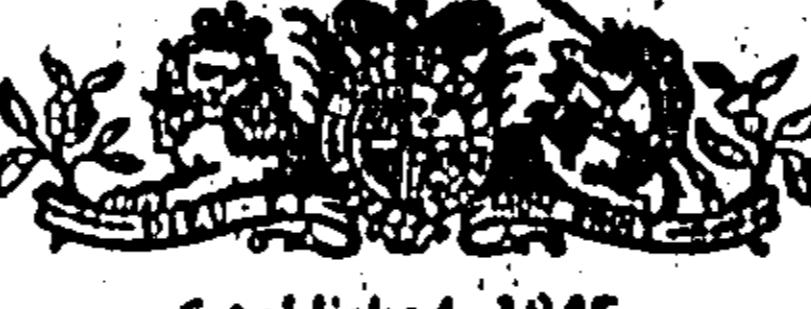
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CHOU EN-LAI BROADCASTS

Hongkong, Feb. 15.

Red China's Premier, in a rare radio address to the Chinese on Wednesday, declared that China and Russia were bound by treaty to "take any steps necessary" to "meet aggression."

For 10 minutes Mr Chou En-lai attacked Western "Imperialism" and any separate Western peace with Japan. He asserted that the Communist camp had "inflicted effective blows on the aggressor" in the Orient.

MANY HUK SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Manila, Feb. 15.

More than 400 Huks, Huks' suspects or sympathizers were reported rounded up in six Luzon provinces in what appeared to be a co-ordinated government drive to halt active support to the dissident movement from populated areas.

The report came as the Defence Secretary, Mr Ramon Magsaysay, led a Constabulary sweep in a raid on a suburban Manila house believed to be used as a Huk hideout.

The raiders arrested a tailor, suspected of being a top Huk leader. The suspect worked in the Post's tailoring shop at Constabulary Camp Crame just outside Manila.

Reports received here indicated that the military authorities since early this week have been carrying out efforts to apprehend all persons suspected of either being Huks posing as civilians or giving support to Huks in the form of money, food or vital information. Most arrests were reported from Tayac province in Central Luzon, where more than 200 persons reportedly were taken into custody. The report said more suspects would be rounded up shortly.

It was reported that 172 suspects were taken by the military authorities in the north-eastern Luzon province of Isabela in a two-day period ending Tuesday midnight. At the same time, the Army authorities in southern Luzon announced a total of 46 taken in three provinces—Quezon, Batangas and Laguna. Twenty more suspects, including a woman, were detained out of 4,000 persons screened by the military authorities. —United Press.

The Premier and Foreign Minister of Red China insisted that the treaty was in line with the United Nations Charter.

"It is aimed," he continued, "at settling problems of the Far East justly. It is meant to establish democracy in Japan and achieve peace in the Far East."

"The Imperialistic countries are opposed to such ideas. The United States Imperialists are trying to sign a separate peace treaty with Japan but will meet with the opposition of the people of Southeast Asia and all righteous, peace-loving people of the world."

Mr Chou said the treaty had helped China by promoting reconstruction. He said Russia's economic co-operation had helped to revive Chinese production.

Since Mr Chou's speeches usually are in the form of official texts and he rarely talks over the radio, his remarks were scanned for hidden meanings. But they produced nothing startling. —Associated Press.

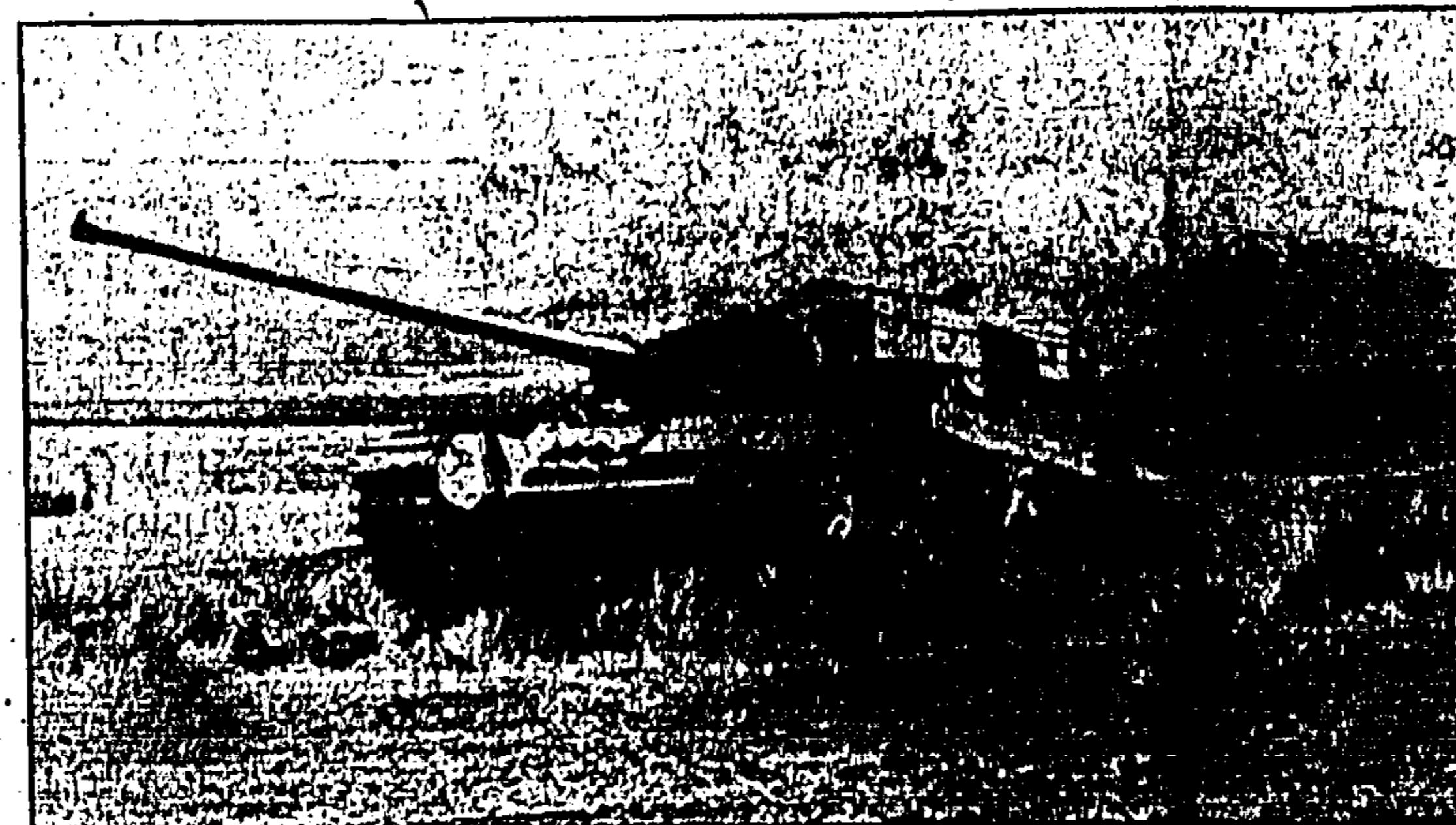
2,000 Strikers Back At Work

Liverpool, Feb. 14.

Manchester's 2,000 dock strikers returned to work today but over 7,000 at Liverpool and Birkenhead stayed out in support of their demands for higher pay.

The Manchester men followed the example of 7,000 London dockers who ended their strike yesterday but pledged themselves to stop work again next Tuesday when seven of their colleagues appear before a magistrate's court charged with conspiring to incite illegal strikes. —Reuter.

Figures Big In Defence Programme



The highly-rated Centurion tank which is to be produced in great numbers as part of Britain's rearmament plan.

Shinwell Outlines Britain's Rearmament Programme

London, Feb. 14.

Opening the debate on the British rearmament programme in the House of Commons today, the Defence Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell, disclosed that Britain was building two new tank factories and laying down new production lines for the latest types of jet engines.

He listed plans for equipping and expanding the armed forces which, he said, should total nearly 900,000 by April 1, 1952.

In her drive to build up her armed forces, Britain was exploring the possibility of making more use of Colonial manpower, the Minister revealed.

Mr Shinwell said that the danger of war had become more acute in the past few months. But later he declared that he did not believe a third world conflict was inevitable.

The Minister gave details of new fighting equipment for the three Services. Provision for the Royal Air Force would be nearly doubled, more naval ships and planes would be built "chiefly designed to beat the submarine and mine threat. The development of guided weapons and anti-tank weapons was proceeding.

The output of the British Centurion tank is to be greatly increased so that the re-equipping of the British armoured divisions could be rapidly completed.

Mr Shinwell described this tank as second to none of its type in service in the world today.

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Surprise Move By Churchill In Commons

London, Feb. 14.

Mr Winston Churchill, Britain's wartime Prime Minister, tonight challenged the Labour Government on its ability to carry out the defence programme.

Britain was also exploring the possibility of acquiring a number of United States F-86 (Sabre) aircraft as the fastest fighter actually in production today.

Production of the twin jet bomber, the Canberra, had begun and the rate of output would be greatly accelerated.

FIGHTER EXPANSION

Mr Shinwell disclosed that Britain was embarking on a further major expansion of her Fighter Command. The doubling of the day fighter force had been completed, and it was now being doubled again.

A new jet night fighter force was also being built. Fighter squadrons had almost completely been re-equipped with jet aircraft, and bomber squadrons would soon be similarly re-equipped. First orders had been placed for a new four-engined jet bomber to replace Superfortresses.

Air Force expansion would enable Britain to make a big contribution to the North Atlantic defence force.

SUBMARINE THREAT

At sea, the main preoccupation was to deal with the submarine and mine threat. More frigates, minesweepers and small craft would be built, and new types of naval aircraft provided.

The conversion and modernisation of existing warships was being speeded up.

The total strength of the armed forces should be approaching 900,000 by April 1, 1952.

Mr Shinwell said that satisfactory advances were being made in guided weapons, aeronautics and in the many fields to which radar could be applied. There was special emphasis on the development of anti-tank weapons.

Certain new air squadrons had already been formed in the Middle East at the beginning of a considerable increase in our strength in that theatre, Mr Shinwell said.

He did not enlarge on this.

Mr Shinwell said that the danger of war had become more acute in the past few months.

If the Communists' "Korean experiment" was successful, Berlin or Western Germany might be the next step. The threat to Western Europe had become plain.

On re-operation between the North Atlantic Powers, Mr Shinwell pointed out that Canada had made over to Holland equipment for one division, and this was now about to do the same for Belgium.

COLONIAL MANPOWER

Commonwealth countries were playing their part. Discussions had taken place with Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Ceylon.

There had also been a general close collaboration between

Night Attacks Against Wonju Are Repulsed

ALLIES STILL HOLDING FIRM THIS MORNING

Night-attacking Chinese troops flung themselves repeatedly against the defenders of the key-point of Wonju, but reports this morning said the town was still in the hands of United Nations forces according to a Reuter message from field headquarters. One hill changed hands four times as the Chinese tossed assault after assault at the city in a night-long fight.

At 4 o'clock this morning the Communists had reopened their attack from the north and fighting raged until dawn, with the Allies still holding firm.

The enemy crossed the Han river at two points in boats in the Seoul area near Yongdongpo, but were forced back to the northern bank by United Nations defenders.

United Press reported that an Eighth Army communiqué said today that the Communists launched an all-out attack against Chipyong at 8.30 p.m. on Wednesday. The communiqué said that attempted enemy river crossings in the Yongdongpo area were repulsed. Stubborn enemy resistance continues in the Kyongan sector. Enemy pressure continues in the Koksu area.

It said an all-out attack was launched on the enemy against the Chipyong perimeter at 8.30 p.m. A heavy enemy attack three miles northwest of Wonju three miles northwest of Wonju was repulsed.

The riflemen said they did not get a look at the flame throwers or the men who were firing them. It is not known whether they were captured American equipment or Russian made. —United Press.

REDS SLAUGHTERED

Eight Army, Feb. 15.

The Eighth Army claimed today that 10,228 Communists were killed or wounded and 355 captured on Wednesday as the massed Allied firepower slaughtered the advancing Reds.

An enemy platoon reported crossed the Han River to the south in boats at 7 a.m. on Friday 14 at a point seven miles northwest of Yongdongpo. The enemy was forced to withdraw across the river at 10.30.

An estimated enemy company attempted to cross the Han one mile northwest of Yongdongpo, but was dispersed by Turkish elements at 10.30 a.m.

At 4 a.m. an enemy attack engaged friendly elements 10 miles south-east of Seoul from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., resulting in the dispersal of the enemy force and 200 enemy prisoners being taken.

The Allies traded a very short Communist gains on the ground for a terrible mauling from artillery, mortars, tanks and other defence weapons. And the Air Force caught five columns out in the open northwest of Wonju to add to the toll. —United Press.

Call-up Scheme

Washington, Feb. 14.

By a 13-0 vote, the Senate Armed Services Committee on Wednesday approved a Universal military training and service programme, including authority to draft 18-year-olds.

The vote sends the measure to the Senate, but action probably will be delayed there until after a decision is reached on the "troops to Europe" issue. —Associated Press.

PATROL CLASHES

Patrol clashes were reported in the areas two miles southwest and eight miles west and southwest of Koksu with an estimated enemy battalion, employing small arms, mortar and bazooka fire being reported immediately west of Koksu. The enemy maintained friendly elements in an area five miles south and southwest of Koksu.

At 10.30 a.m. the enemy launched an all-out attack against the friendly perimeter at Chipyong. The initial attack was repulsed at 11.30 p.m. Friendly elements on the eastern side of the perimeter were under attack at 11.30 p.m. with the attack still in progress as of 2.30 this morning.

French elements in the perimeter were reported under attack from the northwest. An undetermined number of enemy launched a heavy attack against UN forces three miles northwest of Wonju at 9 p.m. However, friendly elements launched a counter-attack inflicting many enemy casualties. Friendly elements restored their lines at midnight.

An estimated enemy battalion was reported moving south in the vicinity six miles west and northwest of Pyongchang at 12.30 p.m. A large enemy troop concentration was reported by a friendly patrol six miles east of Pyongchang. The enemy attack five miles north and northwest of the village was still in progress as of 10.45 p.m. on February 14. At the last report, the enemy was being reinforced and continuing the attack to the east.

No significant enemy activity was reported from the eastern front. —United Press.

FLAME THROWERS

West Central Front, Feb. 15.

Chinese Communists used flame throwers against United Nations forces for the first time in the Korean war on Wednesday.

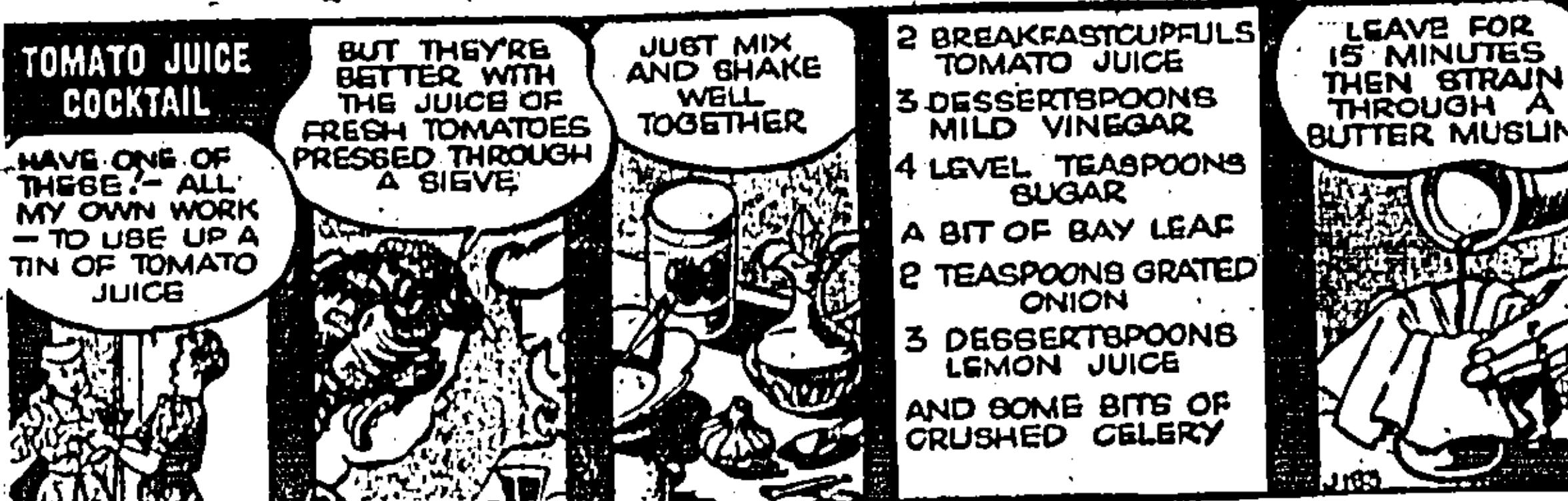
A company of American infantry which was storming a hill northwest of Chipyong ran into flame throwers as it reached the crest of the ridge.

The first main attack of the day was repulsed by machine gun fire, but the second, which came from the south, was successful.

Two Chinese Communists were killed and one wounded.

Two Chinese Commun

WOMANSENSE

Fighting Overweight
By Will Power

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

YOU and I know some persons who have been frightened by the warning of a physician or who have suddenly become aware that they are too heavy to be as healthy and attractive as they could be. They have set about to discipline themselves to eat only the kind and quantity of food they should. We admire these persons for their marvellous exercise of will-power. Though they could wisely pay something to the physician to guide them in their diet programme, they really gain their goal by an expenditure of will power rather than money.

"Dear Dr. Myers: I am writing with reference to my daughter being overweight, age 13. She is 5' 3" tall and weighs 135 pounds. She is a large eater and ordinarily eats a lot of bread, potatoes, and until the last month has eaten some candy and an average of a bottle of pop a day. However, she has stopped eating the candy and pop and has lost about two pounds within last month.

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"She has a very good, well-developed figure, except that she is 29 inches around the waist, and has an unusually large stomach and abdomen, and it is almost impossible to buy well-fitting clothes for her.

"She feels very badly about this and wants to take medicine which our doctor sometimes gives which makes the desire for food less. This also has a bad effect on nerves I am told.

Suit Face With Right Neckline

Every woman should know what she can and what she cannot wear. Certain styles are suitable for certain figures. The short-waisted woman will look frumpy in frocks that are designed for the long-waisted contingent; the backs of dresses and coats will hump up, giving an appearance of rounded shoulders. What the tall woman can wear with distinction, the short one should never consider.

The dirndl on the full-bodied, full-hipped girl merely adds to the appearance of expansion while on the slender little trick it is ideal.

An important detail of dress is the neckline. It can help to glamourise your countenance, if it is the right design, play havoc to appearance if it is the wrong one.

If your neck is short and full, you must have the V cut which will give length to your face, as well as your neck. The round cut is for the girl with the oval face; it is a youthful line, not appropriate for the older ones, whose beauty petals have fallen.

The square cut is becoming to nearly all types, is not used as much as it should be. It is ideal for the formal, a pleasant change from the everlasting bare-top one seen everywhere of an evening.



Pencil and Eraser were talking.

New York
Fashions For
Evening

More long dresses for grand evenings make their appearance at New York social evenings, but the big type is short cocktail into evening. Dress separates share in the programme. Fur coats get an increasing amount of attention. In accessories too, it is items for gala events taking the lead: Stripped pumps, stoles, long white kid gloves or long sueded. Coats are secondary features, repeaters of the season's slope shoulder loose coats. Suits agree on the all-day and any-day approach stressing their usefulness in New York wardrobes.

I can't imagine that lovely daughter of yours, after thinking about the matter, choosing to dramatically present is picked up and carried on.

Among long dresses picked the taut-draped satin for grand evenings (with specific reference to the opera nights), is the highlight.

Lending cocktail and short evening types are taffetas. Some play up baretop dresses with jackets, as Russells round up.

Ice white in dressy dresses of wool or mohair is an attractive feature in slim silhouettes as the trumpet and knot-stole dress. Pastel wools are suggested by Saks, Fifth Avenue and again by Jay Thorpe dirndl separates.

Dressy separates add up to quite a number, mostly laces, velvets, net overskirts. These are short or ballerina length and full skirts with scoop tops are most important, but most stores include a couple of slim ones too.

Please tell your daughter I can understand what a battle she faces, for I am a bit overweight myself. But I know how happy she will be when she will have won in this hard fight. And with your kind persuasiveness help and her good stuff of character I'm sure she will win.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Hand Heard Some Voices

—It Was the Desk Things Talking—

By MAX TRELL

HANID, the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, was sitting quietly in the corner of the room when suddenly she heard some voices coming from the top of the desk.

"Work, work, work," one of the voices was saying. "And the more I work, the shorter I go!"

"Yes, Pen," a fourth voice said, "you are very careful about not using yourself up. But look at me. I was filled with ink just a short time ago. Now I'm nearly empty. I wish you would stop dipping me into me, often!"

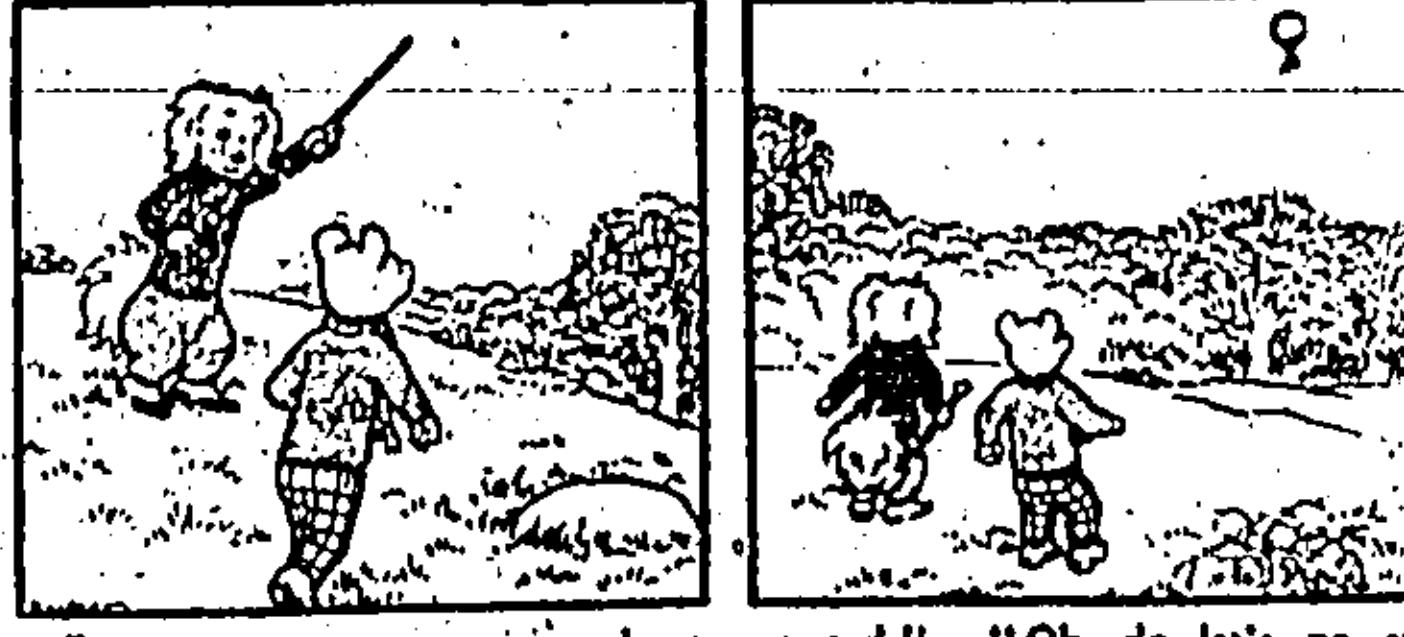
"It's not my fault, Inkwell," replied the Pen. "I do whatever I'm told. Someone picks me up and dips me into you. I can assure you, I don't like sticking my head in an inkwell!"

Here another voice—a rather soft, papery voice—said: "I suppose some folks would say that I don't do any work at all. I just lie on the desk and let myself be written on. But it really isn't as easy, as it looks. Pencil scribbles all over me. Pen scratches and tickles me!"

It was Writing Paper.

"But I have lots of fun anyway," the Writing Paper continued. "Lots of times a letter gets written on me. I read all the words. Then I'm folded

Rupert and the Blue Firework



Rupert gets very inquisitive about the new firework, so Pong-Pong tells him where he found it. "It was in the thick part of the wood far from my house," he says. "Queen things sometimes happen in that wood, fixings noises and warm rustling winds that twist the leaves into the air and finish as quickly as they started."

"Oh, do let's go and look," says Rupert. "Is that your wood?" "It will be stops and starts at the sky," he sighs. "Queen wood!" he cries. "Just look at that thing over the top of it. It's a little balloon and I do believe that's a real live man hanging underneath!"

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up and put in an envelope. And then . . . oh, what trips I take! Sometimes I go in a train, sometimes in an aeroplane. Finally the mailman drops me in a box and then I am opened and read. Folks are very glad to receive me when I have a letter written on me. They look at me again and again, smiling as they read the words written on me!"

Hanid smiled to herself as she heard the Writing Paper speak. Yes, every word that it said was true! She knew how happy she herself felt every time she received a letter.

"Oh, I wasn't blaming you Pencil!" Eraser hastily said. "You don't make the mistakes! Oh, no! It's the one who's writing with you that does! But I don't really mind rubbing out mistakes. After all, I am an Eraser. What would I do if I didn't rub out mistakes? I'd just lie on the desk and turn black. I'd be completely forgotten!"

"That's right!" Pen said. "I feel the same way about it. If I wasn't used, I'd turn rusty."

"And the ink would dry up in me!" added Inkwell.

And so they all agreed that even though they had a great deal of work to do, and some of them were wearing out, it was better to be useful than to be forgotten.

The only one who hadn't spoken was the Deal itself. It waited until all the others were silent. Then it said in a deep voice: "I like it here. I like it when Mother or Father or the children sit at me. I like when they write. We're all part of the family. They don't like being without us. But I don't like being with out them. I think we're all better off out of us."

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DUMB-BELLS

THEY HAVE IT DON'T JUST FOUND, WONDER SOME LETTERS WITH THAT GEORGE POSTAL WROTE TO MARTHA! SERVICE SUCH AS IT IS.

IF you find yourself next to a pony on that occasion, keep cool and collected. Say languidly: "Of course, if you ever want to get rid of your pony, I could do with that. You know, I'm really rather keen on polo. As a matter of fact, I could do with as many of your servants as you could let me have. I could even count on one or two to help me out. Counting the female staff and the outside staff." By this time he will be very impressed, and very curious about you. "What do you live in?" "Fiat 610, Corunna Mansions," you reply. "You must come and see the kitchens, the bedrooms, and the garden. You can put up my alpenhorn," reply. "Oh, they could sleep in one of my yachts."

For connoisseurs

SMART men are everlasting, asking with a bite. It is to the after a good bottle of Sibbalds, carefully chambered in a

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I READ of a maharajah who, feeling the pinch, is cutting down his staff of 600 servants but is keeping his 200 polo ponies.

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Tail-piece

A NEW verb has been recruited by the Jargoneers. I read that children should be "dictated."

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

IF you are born today, you have a talent for managing people and know how to put forward your own ideas tactfully. You are the sort of person who starts the whole business. You like to play the chess and cards, and the one to pull the strings behind the scenes.

You have definite musical ability and will probably have a fine voice and good stage presence. Even if you do not develop this gift professionally, it can be used to your advantage.

You have a great deal of energy and must find some outlet for it.

You are fond of good clothes and jewellery and your hand is always attractive. You enjoy fine food, but must guard

TO find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

HOPE are not instantly realised. Get on with important work.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Endeavour to spend time with someone you love. Enjoy your relaxation.

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COMPROMISE PLAN FOR EUROPE ARMY

Submitted By British Representative At Strasbourg Assembly

Vast U.S. Naval Construction

Washington, Feb. 14. The United States Senate Armed Services Committee unanimously approved today a vast naval construction programme, including a new type of aircraft carrier large enough to handle atomic bombers.

The legislation already passed by the House of Representatives will now go to the Senate. Approval was expected to be speeded up.

The plan would authorize an immediate start on the construction of large fleet of surface fighting ships, submarines, tankers and other vessels.—Reuter.

Strategic Line Below The 38th Advocated

London, Feb. 14. British military quarters believe that United Nations forces in Korea should stop at a strategic line roughly 10 to 25 miles below the 38th Parallel, it was disclosed today.

British experts feel that the Western armies should not go beyond the waist of the Korean peninsula roughly running from a point north of Inchon on the west coast to a point between Chumjung and Yangsan in the east. They emphasised that the 38th Parallel itself could not represent any militarily sound line which could be rigidly maintained by the Allied forces.

Beale offering a better defence line, according to British military experts, positions south of the 38th Parallel would be more conducive to establishing a climate necessary for negotiations with the Chinese.

In the British military view, it would be unrealistic to try to adhere to the fictitious defence line on the 38th Parallel which is regarded here as strategically untenable.

Meanwhile, Foreign Office sources said that discussions with the United States on future moves regarding the crossing of the 38th Parallel had made no progress in the past few days.

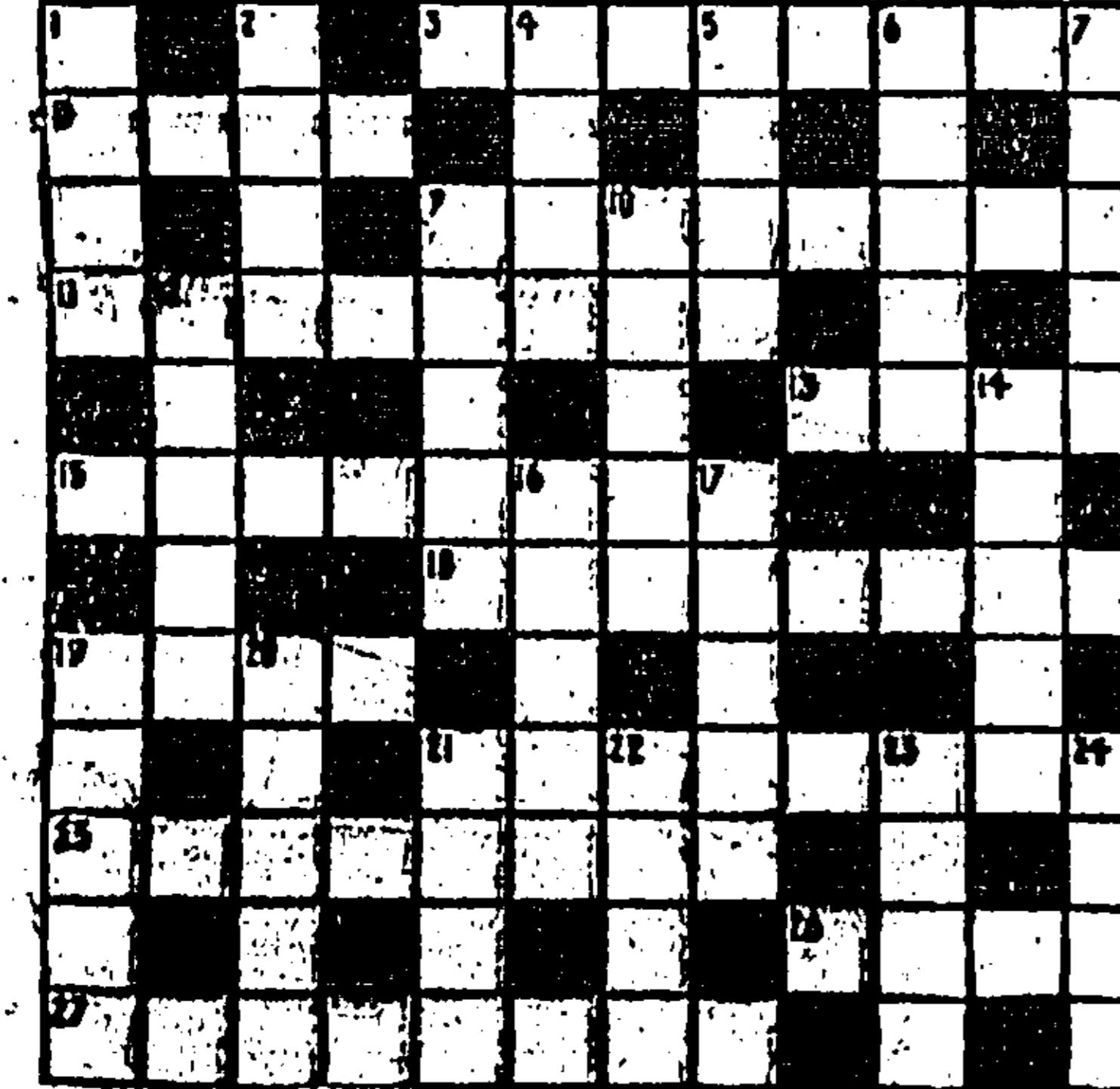
A spokesman said there has been no new development on this issue and so far there have been no discussions on this score with other nations who have contributed to the United Nations Korean force.—United Press.

Appeal For Dr Seagrave

Rangoon, Feb. 14. Counsel for Dr Gordon Seagrave today appealed to the Burmese High Court to set aside the conviction of the American medical missionary for high treason, on grounds that the case had not been proved beyond reasonable doubt.

Kyaw Myint, the Burmese attorney representing Dr Seagrave,

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. Swindler
8. Boots
9. Breed
11. Disciplinarian
13. Disorder
15. Very hot
16. Explosions
17. Sighted
21. Constructed
23. Scour
25. Spares
27. Victory
28. Attacked

DOWN

1. Boot
2. Breed
4. Disciplinarian
5. Neglect to do
6. Vengeace
7. Dances
9. Drop
10. Exclude
12. Be in harmony with
14. Locality
16. Copious
17. Subsequently
19. Sensational
20. Expressions of choice
21. Face
22. Remarkable
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New UK Envoy On Way East

London, Feb. 14. Mr L. H. Lamb, Britain's new representative in China, has left to take up his post in Peking.

Mr Lamb is replacing Sir John Hutchison, Britain's first representative to Peking after the establishment of the Chinese Communist regime.

Mr Lamb is travelling via Singapore and Hongkong.

A Foreign Office spokesman said special arrangements will be made in Hongkong to fly Mr Lamb to Peking.—United Press.

PHILIPPINE RED CROSS FUND DRIVE

Manila, Feb. 14.

President Quirino declared the 1951 Philippine Red Cross fund drive open this morning with a plea for redoubled public support of the mercy organization.

In a Malacañan ceremony, which followed a parade, the President presented Mrs. Myron Cowen, the campaign vice-chairman and wife of the United States ambassador to the Philippines, with a cheque for 1,000 as his contribution to the drive.

While President Quirino called for increased effort to realize the Red Cross money-raising goal, he asked his listeners not to forget other fund-raising drives such as the Peace Fund drive and the Community Chest, whose activities, the President said, were no less vital than those of the Red Cross.—United Press.

Adenauer Turns Down Offer

Bonn, Feb. 14.

The West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, today rejected the East German Premier, Dr Otto Grotewohl's, renewed offer for all-German unity talks, made in a speech in Dresden last night.

In a statement issued here Dr Adenauer said it was most significant that Dr Grotewohl said in his speech that he and his friends were prepared to fight for the Soviet Union.

Dr Grotewohl's speech had confirmed that the East German Government was an authority sponsored by the Soviet Union, Dr Adenauer added.—Reuter.

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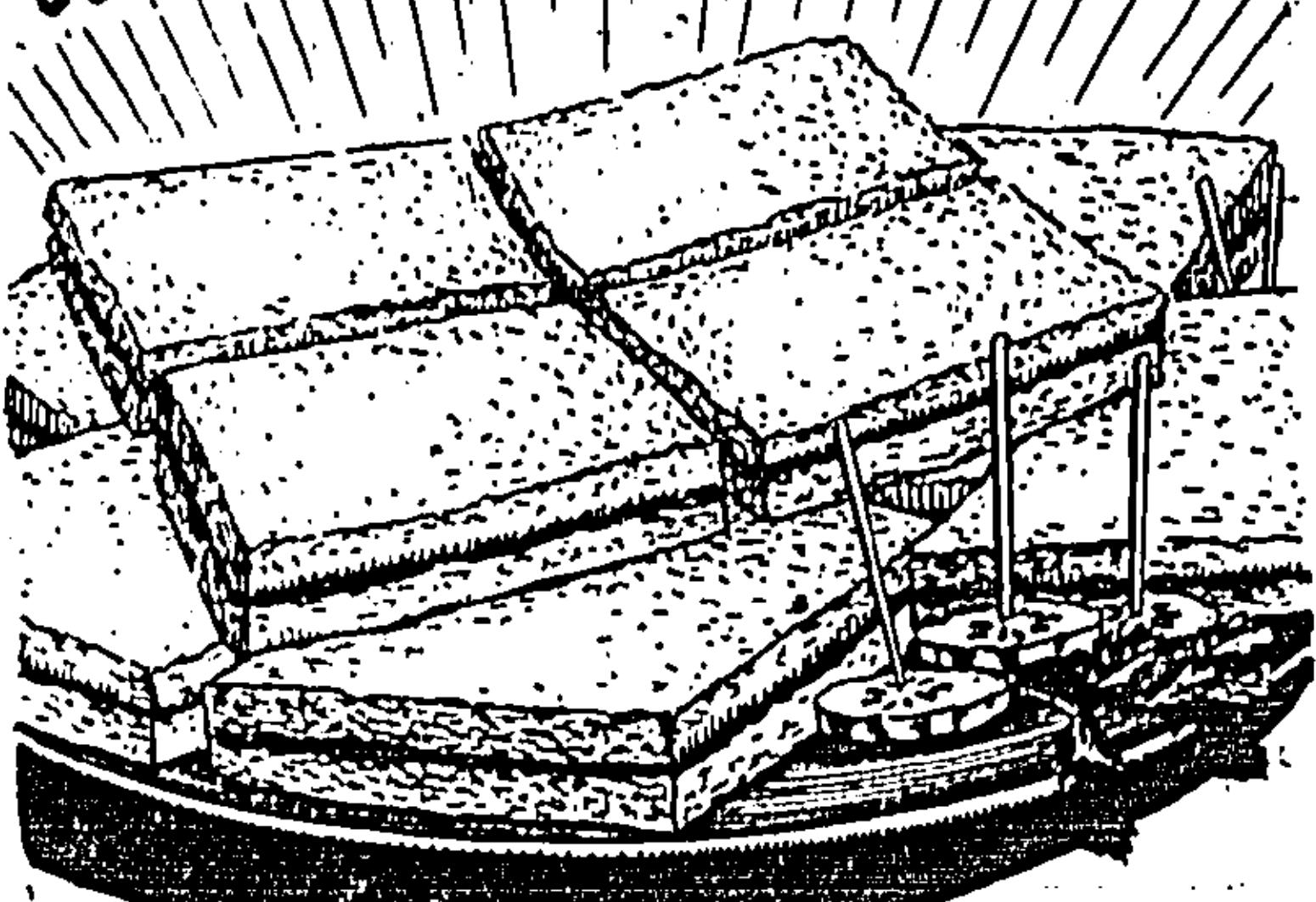
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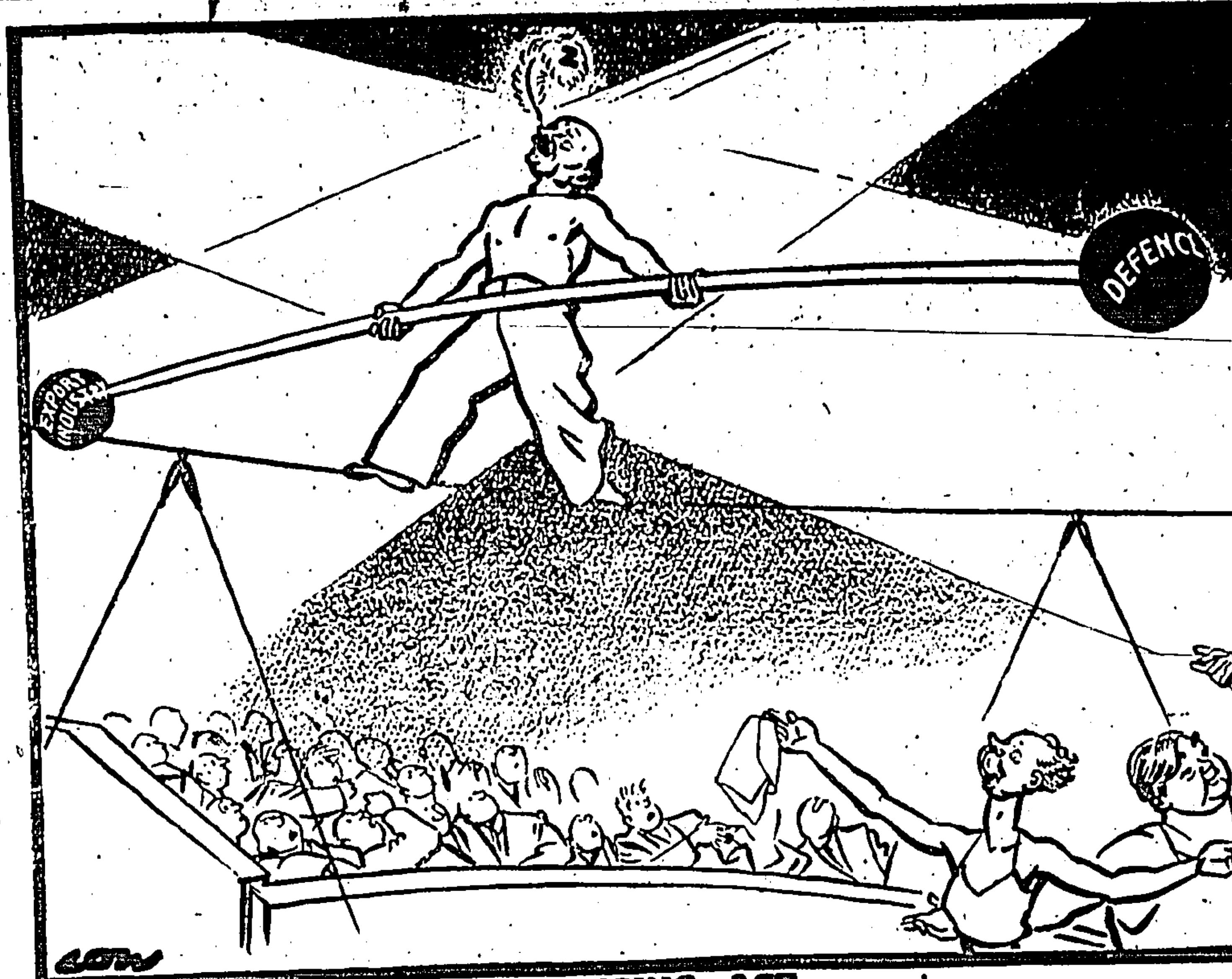
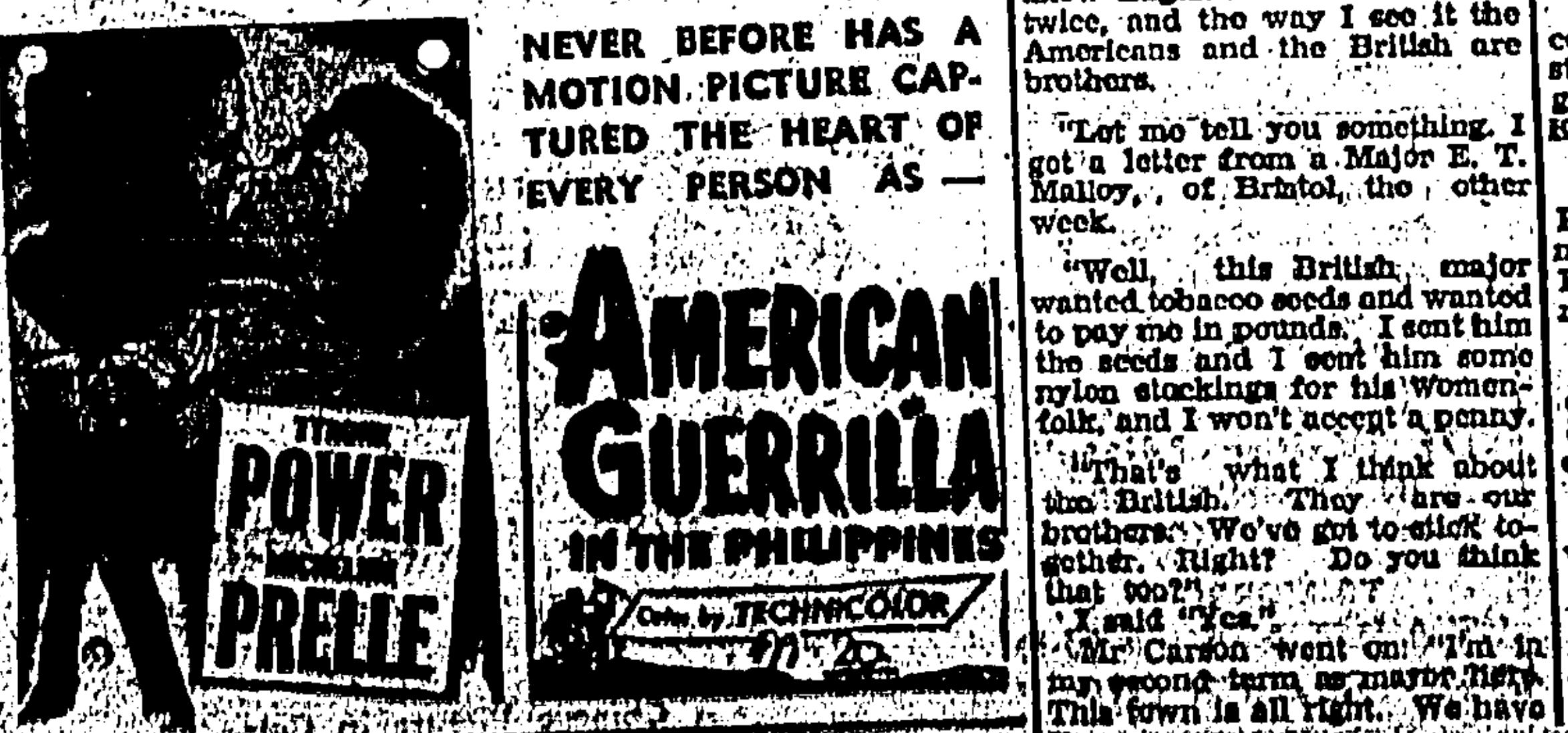
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DON IDDON'S DIARY

A LORRY loaded with dynamite exploded near here a few hours after I arrived. One man was killed, 12 people were injured and some houses were shattered.

The people of Charles Town, West Virginia, which is Home Town, Small Town, U.S., thought an atom-bomb had fallen. They believed that the Russians, aiming at Washington, had missed their mark and dropped the Big Bomb on them.

During the past few days, as I have moved around this pleasant Southern farming community, the explosion has been the main topic of conversation.

Aware of menace

THE good, solid folk of Charles Town, which has a population of only 3,500, but is county seat of Jefferson County, and its head and heart, are braced for trouble. They are as aware of the menace to the world as anyone in New York or Washington.

Charles Town is America in microcosm, a pin-point on the map, but representative of the whole United States.

Inevitably there are confusions and contradictions here. For instance, I am staying in the enchanting house of Commodore John Magruder, one of America's most distinguished sailors. It is head and heart, are braced for trouble. They are as aware of the menace to the world as anyone in New York or Washington.

But as my hostess, the lovely and gilded Esther Magruder, pointed out: "You won't get the true picture from us. We are all Anglophiles. The thing to do is to get out among the country people and into the town."

The town is a successful blend of old and new. It was named after George Washington's brother Charles, and the fine old courthouse, where John Brown's body lies moulder in the grave, was condemned to death, dominates its handful of streets.

There are the standard drugstores on the corners, the Coca-Cola signs and neon lights, but the place has character and charm. There is a racecourse nearby.

We are brothers'

THE mayor of Charles Town is a Greek, Nick Carson, who runs an immaculate restaurant, "The New Central," gleaming with red leather, mirrors, and chromium plating.

He is a gentle, sad-eyed, slim man, who settled here after the first world war. I told him about the criticism of the British in New York and Washington, and he rubbed his head. "You won't find much of that here. I know England. I've been there twice, and the way I see it the Americans and the British are brothers."

"Let me tell you something. I got a letter from a Major E. T. Malloy, of Bristol, the other week."

"Well, this British major wanted tobacco seeds and wanted to pay me in pounds. I sent him the seeds and I sent him some nylon stockings for his women-folk, and I won't accept a penny."

"What I think about the British. They are our brothers. We've got to stick together. Right? Do you think that way?"

"Mr. Carson went out with his friends to a movie theatre. This town is all right. We have

A U.S. teacher in Britain suggested that Don Iddon should take a trip to the small city and rural town to find the 'real America.' Unaware of this suggestion, our Diarist was, as it happened, already on his way from New York to the South to report the scene from Charles Town, West Virginia.

fine farms, fine orchards, and a stone quarry, a brass factory, a Spirit of Jefferson—Farmers' Advocate, and Edward Blake, of the Jefferson Republican.

"There are 17,000 people around here, with outlying districts, and they all eat well."

I said: "The British are not eating well."

Mr. Carson said: "We should send them the food, there's plenty to spare."

The mayor doesn't think there's going to be a war, and he has abiding faith in America.

Blunt criticism

I LEFT the restaurant and went to see the postmaster, Thornton Perry. Mr. Perry was also full of opinions and experiences.

"I know England well," he said. "I was in charge of some of our military police in London during the war, Provost-Marshall for 14 miles from Charles Town."

It occurred to me that perhaps by chance I had hit upon a town that was chock-full of British-lovers. But as I met more people the view is qualified.

There are the two local weekly newspapers.

Then we all sang choruses and heard a speech from a local Scoutmaster.

There was no tinge of anything anti-British in all this—in fact, just the reverse—yet within a few hours I was to meet a man who incensed me with his views. He is a well-to-do young farmer.

I went to a barn—or square-dance with a group of people and he was one of them. He said: "What can the British do, anyway? They are just a base-nothing else. They haven't got anything to offer."

I said: "Nothing but a fine Navy, Army, Air Force, guts, and good manners."

My former friend—or foe—a dandy in loud checks was out to tell me. "Selling arms to Russia, aren't you?"

Mr. Blake started me at first by saying: "The Marshall Plan never was a plan to help Europe—it was an American economic plan to prevent a depression here."

"Say, I saw on the Associated Press fillers you have been fighting the Communists in Malaya—didn't know that before."

Later I read Mr. Blake's paper, and found its editorials fuming about "fair-weather friends."

I told you there are confusions and contradictions in this microcosm of America.

Kiwanis meet

I WENT to a meeting of the local Kiwanis at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel. There were tiny Union Jacks alongside the Stars and Stripes on the table, and I was suddenly called upon to take a bow as "our visiting friend from London."

The local folk don't seem to mind engaging in these occasions, so I should not complain.

In fact, I have little to complain about at all. The visit to this small town of the U.S. has been well worth while. I have learned a little about the little America which makes the whole.

Freedom (and slogan of the Charles Town Kiwanians): Freedom is not free; it has to be paid for.

make a declaration of neutrality.

Rumania has issued special identity cards to men of military age which forbid them to change their place of residence.

A big American firm has applied to set up a motor car assembly plant in Greece to capture Balkan markets.

Re-equipping the Services and scarcity of raw materials have made it advisable to have ration schemes ready.

Some high quality cloths will disappear from utility ranges.

Lancashire cotton interests have asked the Board of Trade to protest at restricted American cotton allocations to the U.K.

Mr. Herbert Morrison has given a pep talk to all Government chief information officers, warning them against an alarmist outlook.

The U.S. will copy Britain this spring by controlling all industrial building by licence.

Russia has repeated an offer to supply large supplies of Czech weapons to Egypt.

President Truman and Mr. Attlee have taken a joint decision.

An Australia flight by the Comet airline is planned for this autumn.

Russia is offering South American states modern aircraft at cut prices.

President Roosevelt has invited

Her job is to raise an army

By Frederick Cook

If there is war, who fights from the day LaGuardia took her to Washington and introduced her to Roosevelt?

Roosevelt returned the admiration to the end of his life, and made full use of her talents. She served him well in labour relations, in his social security programme, and as New York Manpower Commission. He called her "My Mrs. First."

Anna Rosenberg might have been one of the world's great actresses. In unravelling a knotty labour dispute she can when she thinks it will get results—put such pathos into her arguments that she seems about-to-burst into tears. Or in a voice keen-edged with scorn she can upbraid to such purpose that she is not long in winning her own way.

When World War II came to an end Anna Rosenberg disappeared from the Washington scene hard hit by Roosevelt's death. In recent months she has been serving Unesco.

Qualifications

It was Stuart Symington, now chairman of the National Security Resources Board, who brought her back. Some months ago he had asked her to serve as a manpower consultant. This did not go down well with some members of his advisory group. One of those who objected was that same William Green, head of the American Federation of Labour, who had made peace power and who never cared a scrap who knew it.

Power In Plenty

From the day she first met another fast-moving five-foot three bundle of energy called Florencio LaGuardia she has had power in plenty. And no one has ever suggested she has not used it right.

It was LaGuardia, then just making his mark as mayor of New York who first sensed the potentialities of Anna Rosenberg.

In Washington one may argue with the chairman of the Resources Board, or even the Secretary of State. But nobody argues with General Marshall.

In private life, Mrs. Rosenberg is the wife of a well-to-do carpet merchant. They live in a New York flat. Their son Tom served in the Army during the war—under the rules his mother made.

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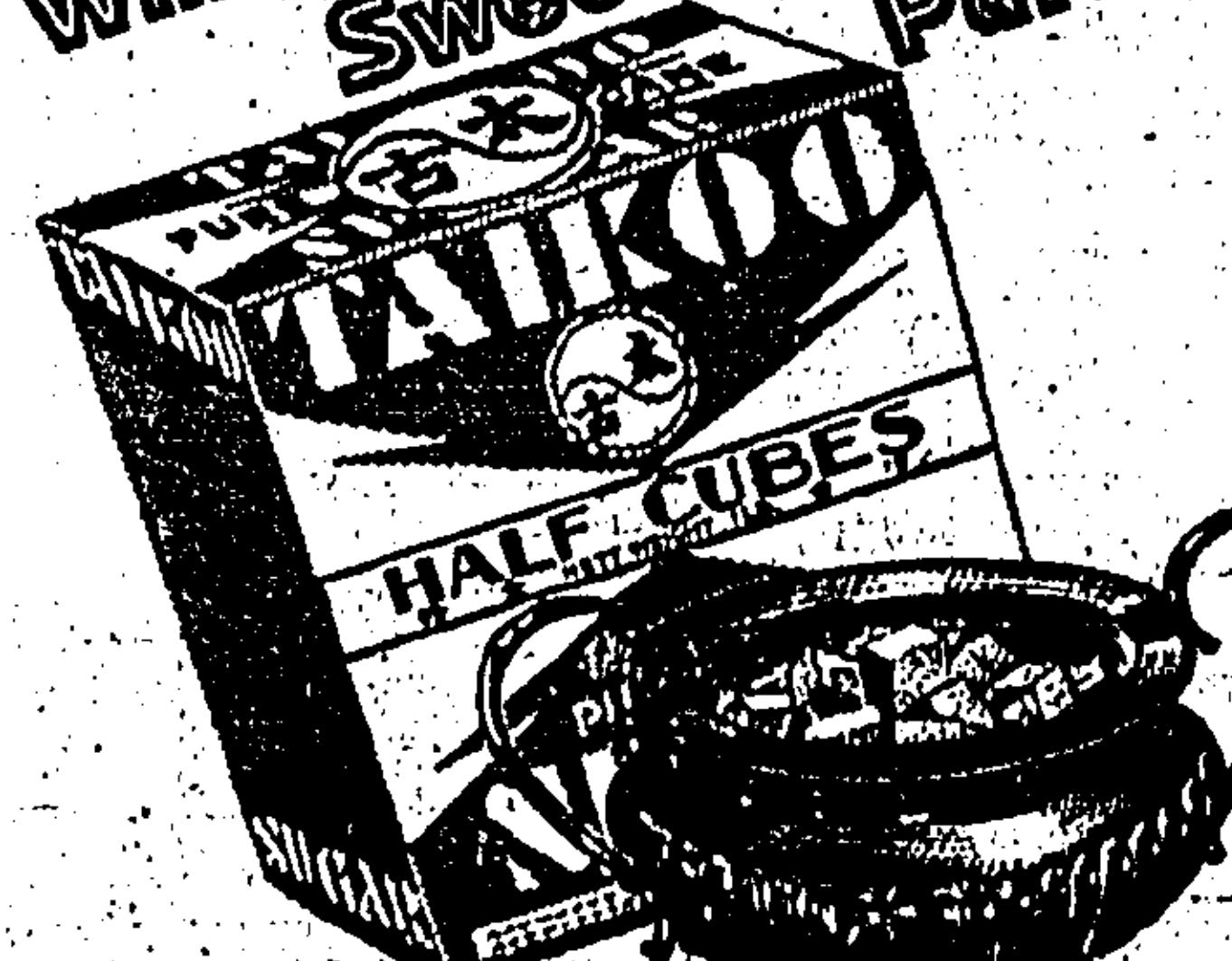
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Steel Companies Must Use Ten Million Tons To Keep Expansion Going

Steel companies will have to use about 10,000,000 tons of steel to keep their own expansion programmes moving in the next two years, the Iron Age, metalworking trade weekly, said today.

But by failing to set up priorities for such steel use, the publication said, the government so far "has not recognised that it takes steel to make steel."

Assurance For Growers Of Cotton

Washington, Feb. 14. The government assured growers on Wednesday they will get an average of at least about 30 cents a pound for this year's cotton.

The Agriculture Department announced that the base price support rate for 1951 crop cotton will be at least 29.68 cents a pound for middling ½-inch cotton. This compares with last year's base rate of 27.90 cents. Better grades will, of course, be eligible for higher rates.

This promised price floor is considerably below current market prices. The Department reported that in mid-January farmers were receiving an average of nearly 42 cents a pound. —Associated Press.

Stockpiling Of Tin

Washington, Feb. 14. A well informed United States official said today that he knew of no change in the situation as regards the stockpiling of tin. He is in a position to know the stockpiling policy of the United States government. His comment followed London rumours that the United States is considering discontinuing tin buying.

A diplomatic official said that the rumours on the London tin market probably were due to the limitation of civilian consumption of tin in the States, with the market fearing that the reduction in consumption would not be compensated by increased tin buying for U.S. stockpile. Another official said, looking rubber, the United States had not been buying in the last few days, due to its high price, but this in no sense means any alteration in policy of stockpiling rubber. —United Press.

Prices closed at the end of the afternoon session as follows:

Singapore Rubber Futures

Singapore, Feb. 14. Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows: Number 1 rubber, per lb. February 221-222 March 214-215

Number 2 rubber, February 211-212

Number 3 rubber, February 201-202

Number 4 rubber, February 191-192

Black unred. 103-104

No. 1 pale crepe 103-104

—United Press.

London Rubber

London, Feb. 14. Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows: Number 1 rubber, in

February 73 nominal

March 73 nominal

April 73 nominal

May 73 nominal

June 73 nominal

July 73 nominal

August 73 nominal

September 73 nominal

October/December 73 nominal

—United Press.

Commons Questions On Rubber Supply To Communists

London, Feb. 14. Mr John Dugdale, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, said today that if there were "undue" exports of rubber from Malaya to Russia, China and other Iron Curtain countries, the Government would investigate the matter.

He was replying in Parliament to a Conservative Member, Mr Peter Remnant, who asked him what restrictions were now placed on destinations of exports of rubber from Malaya.

Mr Dugdale said that 14 per cent of Malaya's gross rubber exports went to Russia, China, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

Mr L. D. Gammie, Conservative, asked: "Will you comment on the fact that five times as much rubber was sent to Communist China in the last six months of last year as in the corresponding period of the preceding year?"

Mr Dugdale replied: "I would not expect it like that. We only look into the matter if we find that there are abnormal sales. The sales are normal we leave it to the normal course of private enterprise."

Mr Dugdale said: "It has not been decided that there should be general sanctions against all trade with Soviet Russia, China and other countries behind the Iron Curtain."

Mr Dugdale carrying on normal trade and normal trade, which is to say, is subject to an

To keep the programmes on schedule, it is reported, the steel companies have resorted to a barter system. This is because few companies can produce all the items required in a construction programme. Thus, a company trades some of its own products with another company that makes what it needs.

The Iron Age said tonnages involved in such trading are considerable and expected to increase during the next six months. It added:

"Obviously new steel mills proposed by people not now in the steel business cannot be built unless steel is provided under a government-directed programme. They have no steel to trade, and present producers cannot be expected to supply them during a period of extreme shortage—unless the government directs them to do so."

Noting reports that steel use in automobiles may be slashed as much as 40 percent in the second quarter, the trade weekly said "such a cutback could mean unemployment of nearly half a million men—unless placing of defence orders is miraculously speeded."

Meanwhile, it found increasing evidence that government programmes are competing with each other for steel, and that government directives which strike without warning are intensifying the problem of juggling production schedules to meet requirements.

"Many in industry fear that too many tickets are being printed for steel's big production performance," said The Iron Age. "Demand for tickets from military and civilian customers is terrific. Some one ought to count the seats and make sure that only one ticket is issued for each seat (each ton of steel)."

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London Tin Market

London, Feb. 14. Prices of tin collapsed on the market this afternoon. The main cause of the tumble was a report from New York via the trade circles that the United States government is seriously thinking of discontinuing its stockpiling tin.

Prices closed at the end of the afternoon session as follows:

Chicago Grain Market

Chicago, Feb. 14. Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:

Spot 1.540

Underwriters 1.550

HK Finc. 1.55

SHIPPING 700 90c 22,500 @ 75c

DOCK ETC. 4.90 8.20 500 @ 5

Dock 1.51

Provident 1.51

Shai Dock 3.10

Whealock 2.1

LAND, ETC. 1.40

HK Land 3.01

Shai Land 3.01

UTILITIES 1.51

C. Light (N) 3.90 3.00 @ 3.75

Electric 2.45 2.01 200 @ 2.51

B. Shares 0.10 100 @ 5.00

Telephone 9.70 10.50

INDUSTRIALS 1.51

Cement 1.51

Rope 1.51

STORSES, ETC. 1.51

Dairy 2.01 2.11

Watson 2.01 2.11

L. Crawford 2.01

Brook 2.01

Sun Co. 1.90 1.670 @ 1.85

COTTONS 2.70 1000 @ 2.00

EWG 500 @ 2.00

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 14. Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:

Contract No. 4 (World) 4.70 bid

March 4.75 traded

May 4.74

September 4.75

Contract No. 6 5.33 bid

March 5.33 bid

May 5.44 bid

September 5.33 bid

December 5.40

—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

Washington, Feb. 14. Department of Agriculture officials concerned with the international wheat agreement on Wednesday started to survey the wheat requirements of importing countries.

The survey became necessary, following the announcement on Tuesday that the Department will not publish the subsidy rates for wheat sales under the international wheat agreement until further notice.

The United States, obligated under the international wheat agreement to export a total of 248,164,000 bushels of wheat or equivalent of flour, until February 6, had made a total sale of 172,512,000 bushels. Since February 6, probably about 12,000,000 bushels had been sold.

United Press.

New York Grain Futures

Washington, Feb. 14. World sugar futures closed today 1 to 7 lower, with sales totalling 659 contracts

